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of cases of contagious and infectious diseases, it is difficult to obtain exact statistics.

There is also a large and increasing number of cases of typhoid fever in this city. I have authentic information to this effect, but no exact data.

The yellow fever and smallpox patients are not confined to the lower or even middle classes, but all alike suffer. Foreigners in particular are liable, and scarcely one here has escaped one or the other; the number of deaths among the foreign colony is large. The rains will not set in before the middle of December. When they do begin it is said that both diseases rapidly begin to diminish in numbers and intensity, particularly smallpox.

CANADA.

Inspection of immigrants at Vancouver, British Columbia.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Glover reports as follows:

Month of November, 1905: Number of immigrants inspected, 240; number passed, 231; number rejected, 9; number certified for rejection on account of dangerous contagious diseases, 5.

CHINA.

Reports from Hongkong—Quarantine precautions—Quarantinable diseases.

Passed Assistant Surgeon White reports, November 4 and 11, as follows:

Week ended November 4:

Government notification that restrictions enforced by Hongkong remain as reported on September 9, 1905.

Government notification that restrictions enforced against Hong-kong remain as reported on October 21, 1905.

Return of quarantinable diseases: Plague—cases 2, death 1.

Week ended November 11:

Government notification that restrictions enforced by Hongkong remain as reported on September 9, 1905.

Government notification that restrictions enforced against Hong-kong remain as reported on October 21, 1905.

Return of quarantinable diseases, none.

Emigrants recommended for rejection.

Number of emigrants per steamship *Korea* recommended, November 21, 1905, for rejection: For Honolulu, 4; for San Francisco, 30; in transit, 11.

CUBA.

 $Reports\ from\ Cienfuegos-Inspection\ of\ vessels.$

Consul Baehr reports, December 11 and 18, as follows:

Week ended December 9, 1905: Eight bills of health issued for vessels bound for the United States, with 215 crew. No passengers.

The sanitary conditions of these vessels were reported good; no sickness.

No quarantinable diseases reported at this port during this week.

Week ended December 16, 1905: One bill of health issued for a vessel bound for the United States, with 26 crew. No passengers. The sanitary condition of this vessel was reported good; no sickness. No quarantinable diseases were reported at this port during this week.

Report from Habana—Inspection and funigation of vessels—Health certificates issued, after inspection, to nonimmunes going to Mobile, New Orleans, and Galveston—Yellow fever.

Passed Assistant Surgeon von Ezdorf reported, December 18, 19, 22, and 26, as follows:

Week ended December 17, 1905.

Vessels inspected and bills of health issued.	26
Crew of outgoing vessels inspected.	892
Passengers of outgoing vessels inspected.	252
Vessels fumigated prior to sailing.	10
Immune certificates issued.	18
Health certificates issued for New Orleans and Mobile	80

During the week 8 cases and 3 deaths of yellow fever were reported in Habana.

Upon advice received at this office of the removal of immunity requirement for passengers for all southern ports except Florida, I informed the different agents of the steamship lines interested by letter of this order.

Accordingly, nonimmunes wishing to go to Mobile and New Orleans and Galveston are required to first obtain health certificates from this office on the day of sailing before ticket is sold them. These certificates are issued after making a personal inspection of the individual, taking his temperature, and finding him in good health.

DECEMBER 19.

One death yellow fever reported 18th.

December 22.

New cases yellow fever reported, 1 on the 19th, 2 on the 20th.

DECEMBER 23, 1905.

Two new cases yellow fever reported December 22.

DECEMBER 27, 1905.

Reported yellow, 1 case, 2 deaths, December 23; 2 cases December 24.

Immunity requirement removed.

DECEMBER 26, 1905.

Von. Ezdorf, Habana.

Immunity requirement removed for passengers for all southern ports, including Florida. Continued careful inspection passengers prior departure vessels.

GLENNAN,
Acting Surgeon-General.